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THE

PROCESSIONAL

OF THE

NUNS OF CHESTER

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INTRODUCTION.

THE manuscript now edited was first brought to my notice by Mr. Barclay Squire, F.S.A., of the British Museum, in the late autumn of 1898. It is one of the collection of manuscripts at Bridgewater House belonging to the Earl of Ellesmere. By his permission the manuscript is now edited for the Henry Bradshaw Society, and I have to thank him for his kindness and patience in allowing the manuscript to be deposited at the British Museum during the long time necessary for its transcription and printing.

This manuscript is connected with the nuns of Chester by the writing at the end of the book: This booke longeth to Dame Margery Byrkenhed of Chestre. The directions on Palm Sunday and Shere Thursday make it plain that the book was written for a convent of women, and there was a monastery of Benedictine nuns at Chester under the invocation of St. Mary. The patron of the church for which this book was written seems to be our Lady, as her altar is the first named in the ceremonies of Shere Thursday, and there is an abundance of anthems and hymns in her honour, somewhat beyond what is usual. St. Benedict also is marked by a procession on his day in March and in July, and by other memorials. The requirements of these phænomena would be satisfied by ascribing this book to the Benedictine Nunnery of St. Mary at Chester.

From the liturgical point of view the book is a processional, to which the rubrics testify with their frequent use of the word "procession"; and, further, a short examination will satisty an inquirer that the earlier part of the book is in direct affinity with the processionals of Sarum and York. Towards the end a

number of private prayers appear; and quite at the end, the hand, as well as the tongue, change into the ordinary and vernacular.

A noteworthy feature of this manuscript is the presence of rubrics in English. But the English is not often more than the name of the day, except in the services for Candlemas, Palm Sunday, and Shere Thursday.

The books of the nuns of Syon sometimes show English rubrics. At Magdalene College, Cambridge, there is a Syon psalter, prefixed to which is an Ordinal with English rubrics. Its press mark is G. 14.11. At St. John's College, Cambridge (press mark: Theo. C. S. while A. 6. 11. is erased) and at St. John's College, Oxford (MS. No. 167.) there are processionals, which once belonged to the same order, with rubrics in English. But in these last, like the processional of the Chester nuns, the English rubrics are for the most part limited to the name of the day, while full rubrics are found in the manuscript Psalter. The nuns of this Brigittine Order seem to have had a liking for vernacular rubrics. Breviarium Sororum ac Sanctimonialium Sacri Ordinis Divae Brigittae (Atrebati, Rob. Maudhuy, 1610, 4°) the Rubriques ou Directoire de ce Breviaire of the first three leaves will be found in French, and at the end of the book occur offices with the rubrics in French. The prayers themselves are in Latin.

So also there is an Italian manuscript of Brigittine use in the Bodleian Library at Oxford in which the greater part of the book is in Latin, but here and there Italian sentences come out. (MS. Canonici Liturg. 49 [19249] ff. 12b. and 325b.) I have not knowledge enough of processionals to say if the use of vernacular rubrics be common in these books, apart from those of nuns; but I may mention that in the Ambrosian rite, the early printed processionals have vernacular rubrics. One (Mediolani, Leonard Pachel, 1501, 8°) and another (Mediolani, Vincentius Giardonius, 1567, 8°), containing the processions for Rogation days, which are kept in the first week after the Ascension in this church, have the rubrics in Italian throughout. But in a third (Mediolani, Amb. Sirturi, 1657, 8°), ninety years

after the latter, the rubrics are throughout in Latin. Of much later books with the rubrics in the vernacular, such as the Rituel d'Alet, it is not necessary here to speak.

It cannot be said that this book gives us great insight into the rites of the monastery at Chester. There is an octave for Candlemas; but not for the Conception, or the Visitation of our Lady, the place of which at the end of the other festivals may indicate a recent introduction. There seems nothing very noteworthy in the ceremonies of Candlemas. The same may be said of Palm Sunday, if we except the "City of Jerusalem," which was perhaps some place higher than the rest from which the anthems were sung; but this is guess work. There is no evidence given of the carrying of the Blessed Sacrament in the procession on this day, a custom once common all over England.

The old rule of a maundy on Saturdays seems to have survived at all events for the Saturdays after Easter. The little that is known of the history of the house, with the documents of the suppression in the time of Henry VIII. may be found in Ormerod.1

In the British Museum (MS. Harl. 2073, fo. 87) there is a "ground plot of St. Maryes Abby or the Nunes" made in the reign of Queen Elizabeth. Unfortunately the plan is of little use to one endeavouring to recover the outlines of the mediæval house, as the alterations made after the suppression are seen to be very considerable. Of the building at this moment nothing seems to remain. "Of the priory of the Benedictine nuns at Chester scarcely any traces now exist, except the name of the Nuns Gardens, preserved in the site of that monastery near the castle: some of the buildings appear to have been standing in the year 1729 when Buck's View of Chester Castle was published."2

George Ormerod, History of the County Palatine and City of Chester, London, 1882, vol. i. p. 346. See also Thomas Tanner, Notitia Monastica, Ed. James Nasmith, Cambridge, 1787. Cheshire, vii. 3.
 Daniel and Samuel Lysons, Magna Britannia, London, 1810, vol. ii. Part ii. p. 453. An engraving of the ground plot from Harl. 2073 is given in this volume.

Of Dame Margery Birkenhed I have been able to gain noprecise information. It was a custom for ecclesiastics and religious persons to take the name of the place from which they came, of which we have familiar examples in the case of William of Wykeham and William of Waynflete. So that the Dame's family name may not have been Birkenhead. But in the family of Birkenhead of Huxley the name Margaret sometimes occurs, as Mr. Barclay Squire has pointed out to me in their pedigree.¹ Further than this it does not seem possible to go.

The manuscript has not been reproduced in full. example, no attempt has been made to print any part of the music. This was examined by Mr. W. J. Birkbeck, F.S.A., and was found to show the ordinary characters of the music of the Sarum books; so that it was not thought worth while to reproduce all of it. Further, the whole of the anthems, responds, and collects has not been always printed. Whenever one of these could be discovered without much trouble in English books that have been made accessible of late years, such as the Sarum or York processional, missal, or breviary, or the Westminster missal, then the liturgical form has only been printed in part: the first and last words being given with a reference in the text to the book where it may be found. The anthems are for the most part well known. Exact verbal correspondence is not meant to be implied; but, in choosing the book to which reference has been given, that has been taken as a rule which gives a form nearest akin to that in the manuscript. Generally speaking, the forms in the manuscript are more like those in the Sarum than in the York books. Chester it may be remembered was in the diocese of Lichfield, and thus part of the province of Canterbury, until the changes in Henry VIII.'s time. Where the form is short, even if it be found in the books mentioned, it has been sometimes given in full: and in this case the reference has not been always given in the text, but in the notes, where references have been given to the forms where such have been traced;

¹ See Harl. MS. 1535, fo. 78b.

references to those in an English book have been given in every possible case, and it may be added that in most cases where the forms have been found in an English book it has not been thought worth while to follow their history further into books that come from across the sea.

Of the remaining longer forms, printed in full, most of them can be found in other liturgical books. References to these are also given in the notes at the end of this volume.

The musical notation is limited to the anthems and hymns; the collects, verses, and the cues to the anthems are not noted. Almost all the anthems, if not all, up to p. 19 of the following edition, have musical notation, but after this the notes cease until p. 25, when some of the anthems have notes over them. In order to give an idea of the musical notation, and of the writing of the book, three pages in collotype reproducing the carol *Qui creavit celum* (p. 18.) are added to this edition.

The words written in black have been printed in Roman type, while those written in red are printed in italics. Also it may be well to point out that, in printing, two methods of dealing with the contractions have been adopted, according as the words are English or Latin. The Latin has been expanded without any indication of the letters supplied; but when the English words have been expanded the letters supplied are given in a fount different from that of the rest of the word: for example, when the word or sentence generally is in italics, the letters supplied in the expansion are given in roman; when the word is in roman, the letters supplied are in italics.

The mediæval spelling has been followed in all cases and no attempt made to reduce the Latin to the ordinary standard. So that in some cases where the spelling or reading may appear strange, it is the manuscript itself that is at fault. When it has been wished to call attention to the reading as being that of the manuscript itself, an obelus has been inserted after the word.

Some of the readings in the metrical hymns are very unlike what is met with in other texts, and can hardly be construed;

for example, the variations in *Tellus ac ethera* (p. 10) are so many that it was thought better not to use the obelus; but the printed text, whatever its curiosities may be, has been very carefully compared with the manuscript, and follows it as closely as may be.

It may be held that these variations indicate a careless scribe, and it is some evidence that the book has not been much in use, that no marks suggesting alterations appear in the margin. A book in the British Museum (Add. MS. 30,514) formerly in use by the nuns of Syon has been carefully gone through by a corrector, and faults indicated by a cross in the margin; which have been accordingly corrected.

The manuscript is written in red and black, with decorated initials; while the rubrics are in red, the body of the work is in black. Mr. Warner of the British Museum assigns the writing of the greater part of the book to a date near 1425, but not much before that year, while the writing of the end of the book is much later than this. The writing of the fly-leaves at the beginning and end of the book he assigns to the end of the fifteenth century.

The leaves of the book are vellum and 85 in number, though the number of the leaves has not yet been marked on them. They measure on their outer edge 140 mm. by 197 mm., that is, about $6\frac{1}{2}$ inches broad by 8 inches high. The first six leaves are somewhat coarser in texture than the others and they are blank, except that on the two middle leaves there is an anthem or two written and noted. With Mr. Warner's assistance I have made out the structure of the manuscript to be as shown by the following diagram:

a⁶ A⁸ B⁹ C⁸ D—G⁹ H⁸ I⁸ K² l¹.

In the gatherings with 9 leaves there is one inserted leaf; but it is not constant in the place at which it is inserted.

When the music takes up a whole page, there are seven lines; without music twenty-one lines.

The book has been recently bound in dark morocco. The crest of the family of Egerton is stamped in gold on both covers, surmounted by an earl's coronet. The book is lettered on the back: *Missal of Dame Margery Birkenhead*. Lower down is: *MS*.

The private prayers and hymns written in an ordinary hand at the end of the book have been transcribed by Mr. Barclay Squire, and I am indebted to him for the permission to print them from his copy, and for much help kindly given me in this undertaking. I would also express my thanks to Mr. G. F. Warner, for help in matters connected with palæography; to Mr. Henry Jenner, F.S.A., and Mr. Robert G. C. Proctor, for help in other matters. And above all, to my colleagues in the Society, Mr. Dewick and Mr. H. A. Wilson, whose kindness and consideration for me know no bounds.

For the General Index I am indebted to my son.

SYMBOLS.

The following symbols have been used in this edition:

- S: Processionale ad usum insignis ac praeclarae Ecclesiae Sarum Leeds, 1882, ed. W. G. Henderson.
- S. B: Breviarium ad usum insignis Ecclesiae Sarum, Cantabrig. 1879–1886. in three fasciculi, ed. Procter and Wordsworth.
- S. M: Missale ad usum insignis et praeclarae Ecclesiae Sarum, Burntisland, 1861–1883, ed. F. H. Dickinson.
 - W: Missale ad usum Ecclesiae Westmonasteriensis, Henry Bradshaw Society, 1891-97, in three fasciculi.
 - Y: Manuale et Processionale ad usum insignis Ecclesiae Eboracensis, Surtees Society, 1875, ed. W. G. Henderson.
- Y. B: Breviarium ad usum insignis Ecclesiae Eboracensis, Surtees Society, 1880–1883, in two volumes, ed. S. W. Lawley.

On Sondays in the Aduent. say thys antem.\(^1\)
M Issus est angelus gabriel . . . uerbum tuum alleluya.
[S. 6.]

The antems of owre Lady say on Sonday, one & a nother a nother.

a' De te uirgo.

an. Quo modo fiet istud.

an. Rorate celi desuper.

Procession of Seynct nicholas. Responsory.

Ui cum audissent sancti nicholai . . . clemenciam.

N. Clara quippe . . . famulum. Saluatoris. [S. B. iii. 31.]

In the concepcion of owre lady this .R.

UErbum patris mundo fulsit virginis per vterum cuius mentem non grauauit onus premens scelerum.

Ut super vellus pluuia.

Sic descendit in maria.

V. Solem iusticie concludunt claustra marie. Ut super.

CHESTER. B

¹ On two out of the six flyleaves at the beginning of the book is written with musical notes:

Et nunc sequimur in toto corde et timemus te et querimus faciem tuam domine nec confundas nos sed fac nobis iuxta mansuetudinem tuam et secundum multitudinem misericordie tue.

Amo christum in cuius talamum introiui cuius mater virgo est cuius pater femina†
nescit cuius michi organum† modulatis vocibus cantant quem cum amauero casta
sum cum tetigero munda sum cum accepero virgo sum.

On cristenmas day procession .R.

Escendit de celis . . . fabrice mundi.

W. Tanquam sponsus . . . thalamo suo. Et exiuit. Gloria patri et filio et spiritui sancto. Et exiuit. [S. 12.]

If it falle on Sonday, ye shal say this .a'.

Odie christus natus . . . excelsis deo alleluya. [S. 13.] V. Puer natus est nobis.

On Sonday afftur yole day thys procession. R

N principio erat verbum . . . factum est nichil. [Iohan. i. I—3.

V. Quod factum est in ipso uita erat et vita erat lux hominum.

a'. Hodie christus natus est hodie.

V. Puer natus.

Byfore at the euynsong of seynt Iohn say this .R.

Hic est discipulus qui testimonium perhibet de hiis. Et scripsit hec et scimus quia uerum est testimonium eius. scripsit hec et scimus quia uerum est testimonium eius.

V. Fluenta euangelii de ipso sacro dominici pectoris fonte potauit. Et scripsit hec

¹To seynt thomas ¹ procession. R.

Ex summa rerum . . . populo leticia.

N. Concurrit turba . . . beneficiorum. Sed cum. N.† [S. B. i. cclii.]

On newyers da thys procession. R.

TErbum caro factum . . . ueritatis.

N. In principio . . . uerbum. Cuius. gloriam.² [S. 21.]

On twelfe day, procession, R.

I N columbe specie . . . audite.

W. Celi aperti . . . audita est. Hic est. [Y. 143.]

If itt fall on a Sonday ze shall say this A'.

I Odie celesti sponso . . . conuiue alleluya. [S. B. i. cccxxx.]

V. Et intrantes domum.

1—1 struck through with black line, probably in Henry VIII.'s time.

² In margin is written; a' [a word illegible] virgo hodie Ў. verbum. The procession the Sonday next after new yeres day. Verbum.

R Ex magnus natus est in israhel et uenerunt reges terre adorare eum. Et optulerunt ei munera aurum thus et mirram.

W. Et intrantes domum inuenerunt puerum cum maria matre eius et procidentes adorauerunt eum. Et optulerunt.

a'. Hodie celesti.

V. Et intrantes.

On Sondaies betwene the vtas of the epiphanie and septua-

gesime processio. Antem.

maria iesse virga celi regina maris stella plenitudo temporis ecce iam venit iam olim promissum florem protulisti ergo precamur o domina vt qui te meruimus confiteri christi matrem senciamus o pia ut singulari merito hunc nobis tu facias placabilem et dies istos tue sancte uirginitatis partu nobis ipse propter te o benignissima disponas quo temporalis solennitas nos ad eternam enutriat leticiam alleluya.

a'. Uirgo hodie fidelis. V.†

On candlemas day when candles by halowed the prest shalbegyn this .ps.

Umen ad reuelationem gencium et gloriam plebis tue

israhel.

ps. Nunc dimittis seruum tuum domine secundum verbum tuum in pace.

ps. Lumen.

Quia uiderunt oculi mei salutare tuum.

Lumen

Quod parasti ante faciem omnium populorum.

Lumen.

A ue gratia plena dei genitrix uirgo ex te enim ortus est sol iusticie.

here shalbe the goyng owte of the stallis to the churche dor illuminans qui in tenebris sunt . . . nobis et resurrectionem. [S. 143.]

Oute at ye churche dore with this .a'.

A Dorna thalamum . . . saluatorem mundi. [S. 143.]

At the frater doore begyn thys antym.

R Esponsum accepit . . . tuum in pace. [S. 144.]

At the parlower dore begyn thys antym.

H Odie beata virgo . . . accepit eum [S. 144.]

Um inducerent puerum iesum . . . tuum in pace. Cum maa. [S. B. iii. 41.] V. Symeon iustus.

On sonday withine the vtas of candlemas. Unc dimittis . . . salutare tuum.

W. Quod parasti . . . reuelationem gencium. Quia.

[S. 143.] H Odie maria uirgo puerum offert in templo quem symeon senex accepit in brachiis et anna vidua christum agnouit

aduenisse in terris. W. 1simion iustus.1

This procession shalbe saide on Sonday & so forth fro septuagesime to lenton.

Cce carissimi . . . regna celorum.

W. Ecce mater . . . uenite ad me. Ut. W.† [S. 24.]

The fyrst sonday of lenton and so to the passion Sonday this

seruis to procession.

CHriste pater. misericordiarum qui tempus acceptabile reis indulges reminiscere miserationum tuarum et quos hucusque tolleras ad penitenciam compunge peccauimus domine in omnem iusticiam tuam et iniquitates nostre abstulerunt nos et tu iratus es et auertisti faciem tuam et possiderunt nos domine absque te et respice tu pater noster es et nos lutum ne irascaris nobis neque multitudinem viscerum tuorum super nos contineas vltra. Sed parce placare attende et fac nobis iuxta multitudinem benignitatis tue ut in die bona quam tu fecisti o fons dauid patens in ablucione menstruate ne confundantur† in nobis sed letemur in te.

Say iche Sonday one of these .a'. of oure laidy.

a'. Anima mea.

a'. Descendi in ortum.

a'. Beata dei genitrix.

V. Post partum uirgo.

On Seynct benet day this procession

felix benedicte iam de tua gloria secure nostris miseriis curam impende. Per christum excusa mala que fecimus et obtine bona que poscimus.

¹⁻¹ added in later hand.

V. Ut cruciatus infernorum possimus euadere et de dei conspectu tecum gaudere. Per.

V. 1Os iusti1

On passion Sonday yis. R.

M Ultiplicati sunt . . . deus meus. W. Nequando dicat . . . eum. Exurge. [S. B. i. dccxix.]

V. Dederunt in escam meam fel.

a'. Descendi in ortum meum.

On palme Sonday when palmes is blessed, the prest shalbegyn. .a'. Pueri. and the chauntres shal take hebreorum. and soo forth synge this.

PUeri hebreorum tollentes . . . excelsis. [S. 47.]

the chauntres shall begyn this antym

PUeri hebreorum uestimenta . . nomine domini [S. 47.]

here shalbe the first entre oute of the gwere w^t thys. α' .

A Nte sex dies . . . uoce magna dicentes osanna in excelsis. [S. 49.]

fro the churche doore to ierusalem ye shal say thys antym.

Um appropinquaret dominus . . . miserere nobis fili dauid. [S. 48.]

Here the priores and other .ij. ladies shall take the prestes & goo in to the cyte of ierusalem and there thay shal synge this antym.

N rex uenit . . . lectio prophetica. [S. 50.]

Here the ladies that ben with oute shall synge this .a'. when they come to ierusalem, thai shal knele downe & also at yche a'. y^t thay synge.

Alue quem ihesum testatur . . . uerba salutis. [S. 50.]

The Priores and hire felous this antym.

Ic est qui de edom . . . altis curribus. [S. 51.]

Tho that ben withoute commande toward the priores and she to theym thys antym.

Alue lux mundi rex regum . . . hic et in euum. [S. 51.]

¹⁻¹ added in later hand.

² interlined in blue letters.

The priores and hiere felows comande toward those y^t ben thereoute w^t this antym.

H Ic est ille qui ut agnus . . . quandam beati vates prompserunt prophetice. [S. 51.]

The there out comyng to gedre say this .a'.

CAlue nostra salus . . . iura subisti [S. 51.]

Then shall all go to the hye crosse in the churcheyarde syngynge vis antym and the prestes before theym.

"Um audisset populus . . . redimere nos. [S. 49.]

When thay comen to the crosse on the northe halff a decon shall reede a gospell. Cum appropinquaret. when itt is redd the prest shall knele down thryse & synge.

Ignus es domine . . . et honorem.

Ccurrunt turbe . . . nubila osanna. [S. 51.]

 W^t thys antym and y^{is} Responsory y^{ai} shal goo to the churche dore & wt this verse

Ollegerunt . . . gentem.

W. Unus autem . . . dicentes. Ne forte [S. 52.]

Here the .ij. chauntres shal take .ij. ladies into the churche & synge these .W.

Loria laus . . . ecce tibi. [S. 52.]

Here thay shall goo in to the crosse w^t thys. antym.

Ngrediente domino . . . in excelsis.

W. Cunque audissent populus . . . obuiam ei. Cum [S. 53.]

When thai comyn before the cros. the prest shal go knele downe

thries & syng

A Ue rex noster . . . osanna in excelsis. Aue rex. [S. 53.]

In to the Qwhere w' this .a'.

Ircumdederunt me . . vindica me. W. Quoniam tribulacio . . . adiuuet. Sed. [S. 43.]

V. Dederunt in escam meam fel.

On sherthursday at the washing of the auters yes R.

I N monte oliueti . . . uoluntas tua.

N. Uerumptamen . . . sicut tu uis. Fiat. [S. 60.]

Ristis est anima mea . . . pro vobis.

W. Ecce appropringuabit . . . peccatorum [S. 61.]

antym. iuda qui dereliquisti . . . habebas. W. Os tuum habundauit . . . dolos. Et. [S. 63.] V. Christus factus est pro nobis obediens. Oracio. REspice quesumus domine [S. B. i. dcclxxii.] . . tormentum. Goo to seynt mary auter wt thys antym of the assumpcion. A Scendit christus . . . existit. [S. 154.] W. Exaltata est† sancta dei genitrix. Oracio I Eneranda nobis genuit incarnatum. Qui tecum viuit et regnat. [S. 154.] Of Seynt Iohn the euangelist say this aniym. Ohannes apostolus & euangelista virgo est electus a domino atque inter ceteros magis dilectus. V. Ualde honorandus est beatus iohannes. Oracio. E Cclesiam tuam iohannis euangeliste sempiterna. Per. [S. 17.] Of Seynct Iames y's antym.) beate iacobe qui subuenis periclitantibus ad te clamantibus tam in mari quam in terra succurre nobis & in periculo mortis. V. Ora pro nobis beate iacobe. oracio Sto domine . . secura deseruiat. Per. [S. B. iii. 533.] Of Seynt nicholas this .a'. BEatus nicholaus adhuc puerulus multo ieiunio macerabat corpus. V. Ora pro nobis beate nicholae. oracio Eus qui beatum nicholaum pium pontificem tuum incendiis liberemur. Per. [S. B. iii. 25.] [Here a rubric relating to St. Edmund should have been written.] On est inuentus similis illi qui conseruaret legem excelsi. V. Ora pro nobis beate Edmunde Oracio

DEus qui largiflue bonitatis . . . patrociniis protegamur aduersis. Per. [S. B. iii. 1053.]

Of Seynt Benet this .a'.

D^{Ei} repletus gratia benedictus ab infancia contempsit huius infima



mundi sequens celestia.

V. Os iusti meditabitur sapiencia.

Ntercessio nos domine quesumus beati benedicti abbatis . patrocinio assequamur. Per. [S. B. iii. 467.]

Of Seynct Margarete thys antym.

Rat autem margareta annorum quindecim cum ab impio olibrio tradebatur in carcere.

W Ora pro nobis beata margareta.

Eus qui beatam margaretam . . . peruenire mereamur. Per. [S. B. iii. 501.]

Of Seynt Thomas this antym.

E Go sum pastor bonus qui pasco oues meas & pro ouibus meis pono animam meam.

V. Ora pro nobis beate thoma.

oracio

DEus pro cuius ecclesia gloriosus pontifex . . . salutarem consequantur effectum. Per. [S. B. i. ccxlvi.]

Of Seynct katerine this .a'. N bello victus constantinoque fugatus alexandrinam uenit maxencius urbem.

V. Ora pro nobis beata katerina.

DEus qui dedisti legem moysi . . . valeamus peruenire. Per. [S. B. iii. 1103.]

Of Seynt Anne thys antym.

A Nna deo vigilauit eo quod lucis alumpna hanc genuit que virgo fuit viceque† columpna.

V. Interueni pro nobis beata mater anna.

Oracio.

PResta domine fidelibus tuis beate matris anne digna veneracione natalicia peruenire: de cuius sacra carne vnigeniti tui genitrix ad natiuitatis humane processit dies que mundo salua virginitate lucis eterne parturiuit auctorem. Per.

Of Seynct marie magdalcyn .yis .a'.

M Agdalenam sua crimina confitentem christus suscepit et emundatam in pace abire precepit.

V. Dimissa sunt ei peccata multa.

Oracio

Argire nobis clementissime . . . impetret beatitudinem. Per. [Y. B. ii. 398.]

Of Seynt. Iohn the baptist.

E Lizabeth zacharie magnum virum genuit iohannem baptistam percursorem domini. V. Fuit homo missus a deo.

Oracio

Mnipotens sempiterne deus da cordibus nostris illam tuarum rectitudinem semitarum quam beatus iohannes baptista in deserto vox clamantis edocuit. Per.

Of all halowes this antym shalbe saide.

GAudent in celis anime sanctorum qui christi uestigia sunt sequuti et quia pro eius amore sanguinem suum fuderunt ideo cum christo regnabunt ineternum.

V. Orate pro nobis omnes sancti dei.

Oncede quesumus . . . patrocinia senciamus. Per eundem. [S. 63.]

a' Aue regina celorum.

At ye greate maundy afftur the washyng of the auters.

At the first entre of the priores in to the chapiture to washe hiere Sistres feete on the Suppriores halfe thies antyms shall be songon that is to wete. antiphona.

Mandatum nouum.

a'. Si ego.

a'. Postquam surrexit.

a'. In diebus illis.

Antiphona

Andatum nouum . . . dicit dominus. [S. 64.] Ps. Beati immaculati in via qui ambulant in lege domini.

🕻 I ego dominus . . . lauare pedes [S. 65.]

A'. POstquam surrexit . . . reliquit suis [S. 65.]

a' IN diebus illis . . . vnguento vngebat. [S. 65.]

Also at the secund entre of the Priores to washe the feete. This antym shall be songon on that other syde.

Ccepit maria libram vnguenti nardi pistici preciosi & vnxit pedes ihesu et capillis suis extersit stans retro vt peccatrix secus pedes domini eos lacrimis osculando rigauit.

At the thred entre of the priores to weshe hiere handes on the

Suppriores halff this antym shall be songon.

Δ Nte diem . . . pedes discipulorum. [S. 65.]

At the .iiij.th entre of the priores to washe hire handes on yt oyer side yis shalbe songone.

[/Enit ad petrum . . . et caput. [S. 65.]

Here the priores shall cum in and sytt down in hiere chayre and that while the suppriores and other two of the aldist ladies shall ordere their to such the priores fits.

shall ordeyn theim to wash the priores fete.

`Ellus ac ethera iubilent l in cena magna principis que prothoplausti pecora vite purgauit fercula. V. Hac nocte factor omnium potens ad ministerium carnem suam cum sanguine in escam transfert anime. V. Excelsus surgens dapibus prebet formam mortalibus humilitatis gracia petri prebens vestigia. W. Pellet seruos obseguio cum angelorum domino ferendo limam lintheo cernit ceno procumbere. V. Permitte symon ablui acta figura mistica dum sumus imo baiula auod sanctus seruet cineri. V. Lauator thoris accubat verbique faues aggerat quos inter hostem deuota nescis qui dolos ruminat. \mathcal{N} . Trux lupe iuda pessime ferago miti basia das membra loris regia que sorde tergunt secula. W. Noxi soluentur hodie carnis a corde carcere vngunt sacrati crismatis spes inde crescat miseris. V. Victori mortis inclitam pangamus laude gloriam cum patre sancto spiritu quos nos redemit habitu. Amen.

At the secund comynge of the suppriores to washe the Priores

feete thys antym shall be songon.

Ongregauit nos christus ad glorificandum se ipsum reple domine animas nostras sancto spiritu.

a'. Congregauit nos in vnum christi amor timeamus & amemus

christum regem ubi caritas et amor ibi deus.

At the thrid comyng of the suppriores to washe the priores handes syng this.

Omum istam . . . muros eius. [S. B. i. mcccclviii.] Ps. Fundamenta eius . . . tabernacula iacob. [Ps. 86. v. I.]

 \bar{a} Domum istam.

Ps. Gloriosa dicta sunt de te ciuitas dei. [Ps. 86. v. 2.] a'. Domum.

And at that other comyng thay shal syng. Ecce quam bonum. and then thay shal rede a lesson, and then goo to the ffraytur.

The first seturday afft paske this .a'. as on shere thurseday. Mandatum nouum. [S. 64.]

A'. IN hoc cognoscent omnes quia mei estis discipuli si

dilectionem habueritis adinuicem.

Iligamus nos in† inuicem quia caritas ex deo est et qui diligit fratrem suum ex deo natus est & videt deum ubi est caritas et dilectio ibi sanctorum est congregacio ibi nec ira nec indignacio sed firma caritas imperpetuum christus descendit mundum redimere vt liberaret a morte homines exemplum prebuit suisdiscipulis vt sibi inuicem pedes abluerent.

Hesum qui crucifixus est queritis alleluya non est hic surrexit

enim sicut dixit vobis alleluia.

A Rdens est cor meum desidero uidere dominum meum quero et non inuenio ubi posuerunt eum alleluya.

At the secund entre of the minist states, $a\tilde{n}$.

Ihesum qui crucifixus

ye shal not say. Congregauit. but Domum istam. Ecce quam bonum.

The secunde Seturday aftur paske day & so to the ascension of owre lorde this maundith

Mandatum nouum.

In hoc cognoscent.

Diligamus nos.

At y^e secund comyng in. these iiij. A'.

/ Aria stabat . . . caput ihesu alleluia [S. B. i. dcccxl.]

Um flerem ad monumentum vidi dominum meum alleluya.

[Enit maria nuncians discipulis quia vidi dominum alleluia.

Tulerunt dominum . . . eum tollam alleluia alleluia. [S. B. i. dcccxli.]

The first Seturday aftur the Ascension day this maundi. Mandatum nouum.

In hoc1 cognoscent.

Diligamus.

ye shalnot say. Congregauit. but in stede of it. say this .a'.

M Aria ergo vnxit pedes ihesu et extersit capillis suis et domus impleta est ex odore unguenti.

N Dimissa sunt ei peccata multa quoniam dilexit multum.

a'. Maria ergo.a'. Domum istam.

Ps. Ecce quam bonum.

Sedit angelus . . . cum eo surrexit alleluya.

N. Crucifixum . . . adorate. [S. B. i. dcccxxix.]

R. Nolite.

Hristus resurgens . . . viuit deo alleluya alleluia. [S. B. decevii.]

V. Dicite in nacionibus.

On the holy rode day at euensonge.

PEr tuam crucem . . . resurgendo reparasti.

N. Miserere nobis iesu . . . pro nobis.

Et vitam. Gloria patri . . . sancto.

Et. [S. 156.]

In the Ascension of o' lord this procession.

Viri galilei . . . ita ueniet alleluia alleluya alleluia. [S. 123.]

V. Cunque intuerentur . . . dixerunt.

Quemadmodum. [S. 123.]

 $\tilde{\mathcal{X}}$. Ascendo ad patrem meum et patrem vestrum

The Sonday win the vtas.

On relinquam vos . . . cor uestrum alleluya alleluya [Y. 187.]

W. Nisi abiero . . . mittam eum ad vos.

Et. [Y. 187.]

O rex glorie . . . spiritum veritatis alleluia. [S. B. i. dcccelxv.]

W. Ascendo ad patrem et patrem vestrum.

¹ written in margin in red.

On witsonday procession. Sedit angelus without the verse. antym.

H^{Odie} completi . . . saluus erit alleluia.

N. Spiritus sanctus procedens a throno. [S. 125.]

On Trinite Sonday this procession.

Summe trinitati . . . orbem legibus. [S. 125.] W. Prestet nobis . . . almi. Qui. [S. 125.]

HOnor virtus . . . tempore. [S. 126.] V. Trinitati lux perhennis vnitati sit decus perpetim. In perhenni. [S. 126.]

V. Verbo domini celi firmati sunt.

In the fest of corporis xpi thys procession. R.

EGo sum panis vite patres vestri manducauerunt manna in deserto & mortui sunt. Hic est panis de celo descendens si quis ex ipso manducauerit non morietur.

W. Ego sum panis viuus qui de celo descendi siquis man-

ducauerit ex hoc pane uiuet ineternum. Hic est.

V. Panem de celo prestitisti eis.

The Sonday within the vtas of corporis xpi. this Responsory.

Respexit helias . . . ad montem dei. [S. 127.]

**N. Si quis . . . in eternum. Et ambulauit. [S. 128.]

W. Panem de celo.

On seynt Iohn baptist euen procession.

Nnuebant patri eius quem vellet vocari eum et postulans pugillarem scripsit dicens. Iohannes est nomen eius.

W. Apertum est os zacharie & prophetauit dicens. Iohannes.

W. ffuit homo missus.

On the Day of S'. Iohn. baptist. this procession.

I Nter natos mulierum non surrexit maior iohanne baptista. Qui viam domino preparauit in heremo.

V. Fuit homo missus a deo cui nomen iohannes erat.

The sonday within the vtas. R I Nnuebant.

PRo eo quod non credidisti verbis meis eris tacens & non poteris loqui vsque in diem natiuitatis eius.

W. ffuit homo missus.

On y^e sonday within the vtas of peter & paule this R.

Sti sunt due oliue. . . . facte sunt. [S. B. iii. 353.]

N. In omnem terram . . . eorum. Quia. [S. B. ii. 365.]

This procession seruus on sondaies fro Deus omnium. to Aduent.

ORemus dilectissimi nobis deum patrem omnipotentem vt cunctis mundum purget erroribus morbos auferat famem repellat aperiat carcerem vincula dissoluat Peregrinantibus reditum infirmantibus sanitatem nauigantibus portum salutis indulgeat et pacem tribuat in diebus nostris insurgentibusque repellat inimicos et de manu inferni liberet nos propter nomen suum alleluya.

a'. Descendi in ortum meum.

V. Post partum.

 α' .

CUm venerimus ante conspectum domini in die iudicii vbi assistunt milia milium et decies centena milia angelorum archangelorum cherubyn et seraphyn. Ubi sanctorum chorus circumastat patriarcharum ac prophetarum apostolorum et martirum & omnia agmina sanctorum quia ibi iudicium in quo sine testibus omnia manifesta sunt.

a'. Beata dei genitrix.

V. Post partum.

Mnipotens deus supplices te rogamus et petimus vt intercessio archangelorum sit pro nobis grata tibi semper. Michaelis et gabrielis pariterque et raphaelis vt digni offeramus tibi hostias ad altare et appareamus ante saluatorem per intercessionem nouem ordinum angelorum Thronorum et dominacionum Principatum et potestatum cum cherubyn et seraphyn vt ipsi intercedant pro nobis qui non cessant clamare dicentes Sanctus sanctus sanctus dominus deus exercituum rex israhel qui regnas sinc fine dignare famulos tuos hodie exaudire alleluya.

V. Post partum virgo.

At the first eucnsong of .s'. Thomas of canterbery to his .a'. R. Uam pulchra quam sunt beate tua preconia tuis meritis ignis accensus extinguitur extinctus accenditur terra quos premit non opprimit ventus quiescit mare obsedit.

V. Ora pro nobis beate thoma.

In the Translacion of Seynt Benedicte att euensonge.

SAnctus pater benedictus

prophetie spiritu plenus.
Cepit ventura predicere
presens absencia nunciare
ac per sompnum semet exhibere.

V. Regios euentos† pandit fratres comedentes detersit dormientibus fabricam ostendit. Cepit.

At the first evensong of seynt margaret to hir auter. R

Regnum mundi . . . dilexi.

V. Eructavit . . . regi. Quem. Gloria patri et filio et spiritui sancto. [S. B. ii. 447.]

At the first euensong of seynt marie magdaleyn. R. Regnum mundi.

In the vigil of seynt Iames to his auter say yis .R.

Ui sunt isti . . . suas.

versus. Candidiores niue . . . antiquo. Et quasi. [Y. B. ii. 652.]

At the first evensong of seynt Anne this procession .a'.

A D felicis anne festum omnes fluant populi cuius proles effugauit densam noctem seculi

dum maria maris stella celebs nupta peperit et per natum eius christum mors eterna deperit

apud ipsum sint pro nobis & mater et filia vt in orto sponsi rosas legamus et lilia. *Y*.†

In the vigil of the Assumption of our lady this .R. Aue regina.

Ande if it fall on Sonday this .R.

Decus uirginitatis . . . regina. [Y. 198.]

**N. Accipe quod offerimus redona quod rogamus excusa quod timemus.

W. Salue stella maris memorare quibus memoraris. Mater.

N.†

In the Assumpscion of oure lady this procession.

Felix namque es sacra . . . christus deus noster.

N. Ora pro populo . . . assumptionem. Quia. [S. 154.]

If it fall on a sonday then this .a'. shall be saide Hodie maria.

Y. Exaltata es sancta.

The sonday within ye vias ye shal say this O decus.

H Odie¹ . . . in eternum. [S. B. iii. 700.]

W. Exaltata es sancta dei. [S. 154.]

In the nativite of o' lady this procession .R.

Solem iusticie . . . ortum.

W. Cernere . . . fideles. Stella. Gloria . . . sancto. Stella [S. B. iii. 781.]

W. Elegit eam deus.

If it fall on a sonday this shall be saide.

Atiuitas tua . . . vitam sempiternam. [S. 156.]

The Sonday withine the vtas. Solem iusticie.

In ye Exaltacion of the cros yis .R.

Rux benedicta . . . nostra lauit alleluya alleluya. [S. B. iii. 823.]

V. Corpore quidem in ligno pependit pro uulnere nostro. Atque. Gloria patri et filio et spiritui sancto. Atque.

¹ The anthem Hodie is repeated and the arrangements confused.

In the vigil of all halowes to ye auter yes. Re

SInt lumbi vestri . . . reuertatur a nuptiis.

W. Vigilate ergo . . . venturus sit. Et. Gloria patri et filio et spiritui sancto. Et. [S. B. iii. 974.]

V. Orate pro nobis omnes sancti dei.

On the day this procession.

Oncede nobis . . . societatem.

V. Adiuuent nos . . . peccati. [Y. 199.]

& Sint lumbi.

Of seynt Edmund to his auter thys .R.

M Iles christi gloriose edmunde sanctissime.

Tuo pio interuentu

Culpas nostras ablue.

V. Ut celestis regni sedem

valeamus scandere. Tuo. Gloria patri et filio et spiritui sancto. Culpas. [Y. 201.]

Of seynt katherine

🛕 Nima mea 🗆 . 🐪 amore langueo. Amen. [S. B. iii. 685.]

In the visitacion of o' lady R.

mater montem saliens fuisti virga† vigilans angelo precedente.

Ad mentes contemplancium

regendas† ex aromatum

fragore† defluente.

W. Ibi flos campi filia

velut conuallis lilia nitorem dat in mente. Ad. Gloria patri et filio et spiritui

In the comyng in the chirche say thys antym.

Arisma sancti spiritus diffudit se diuinitus

sancto. Ad mentes.

in puerum cum sensit

verbum salutiferum

marie sibi obujum

elisabeth accensit.

V. Elegit eam deus et preelegit CHESTER.

C

In the dedicacion of the chirche say this procession .R.

Erribilis est . . . loco isto et ego nesciebam.

W. Cunque euigilasset iacob quasi de graui somno ait. Vere. Gloria patri et filio et spiritui sancto. Vere.

In comyng in to the chirche say

Quam metuendus est locus iste vere non est hic aliud nisi domus dei et porta celi. [S. B. i. mccccxlix.]

V. Domus mea.

Of Saynct Benet this Responsorye.

FRater erat mente captiuus oracionis tempore uagus quem sanctus egressum virga percussit & trahentem se puerum nigrum fugauit.

V. Oui ex illa die nil tale passus est ab hoste sed immobilis

permansit in oracione. Quem.

V. Os iusti meditabitur

Oli¹ creauit celum lully lully lu.
Nascitur in stabulo byby byby by.
Rex qui regit seculum lully lully lu.

Ioseph emit panniculum byby byby by. Mater inuoluit puerum lully lully lu. Et ponit in presepio byby byby by.

Inter animalia lully lully lu. Iacent mundi gaudia byby byby by. Dulcis super omnia lully lully lu.

Lactat mater domini. byby byby by Osculatur paruulum lully lully lu. Et adorat dominum byby byby by.

Roga mater filium lully lully lu. Ut det nobis gaudium byby byby by. In perenni gloria lully lully lu.

In sempiterna secula byby byby by. Ineternum et vltra lully lully lu. Det nobis sua gaudia byby byby by. *W*. Puer natus est nobis.

¹ The carol with its music is given in colletype at the end of the volume.

oracio.

Oncede quesumus omnipotens deus . . . seruitus tenet. Per eundem. [S. 14.]

On shere thursday this. antym.

 D_{N}^{Ominus} iesus postquam . . . ita faciatis. [S. M. 303.]

Et salutare tuum.

kyrieleison. Christeleison. kyrieleison.

Pater noster.

Et ne nos.

Sed libera.

Suscepimus deus misericordiam tuam.

In medio templi tui.

Tu mandasti.

Mandata tua custodiri nimis.

Domine exaudi orationem meam.

Et clamor.

Dominus vobiscum.

oracio.

A Desto domine ihesu christe . . . omnia nostra interiora lauentur peccata quod ipse prestare digneris. Qui cum patre et spiritu sancto viuis et regnas deus per omnia secula seculorum. Amen. [S. 66.]

This payer† folowyng shalbe saide afftr complen.

A Ue sponsa incorrupta.
aue per quam orbis lapsi
facta est ereptio.
Aue per quam occumbentis
est ade surrectio.
Aue per quam prime matris
est eue redemptio.
Sancta maria ora pro nobis
aue sponsa incorrupta.

Altitudo cogitandi tu in accessibili† inuisibile profundum angelorum oculis karikaristo menitrotoche partine sancta dei genitrix ora pro nobis.

Omnia portantem portans solium imperii

tu stella demonstrans solem sol diei¹ mistici occidentis austro† mundi luminis conspicui sancta virgo virginum ora pro nobis sancta maria incorrupta.

Incarnationis diuini†
vteris† tu sancta† es
per quam renouantur omnes
creature species
cunque† adoratur factor
et origo omnium
angelorum domina ora pro nobis
aue sponsa incorrupta.

Tu extans iniciatrix archam† consilii mirandorum vere christi operum primicie dogmatum illius extans tu fons & inicium celorum regina ora pro nobis aue sponsa incorrupta.

Scala tu celestis per quam descendit ipse deus sponsa traducens terrena supera celestia tu mater innupta omni honore superior virgo perpetua ora pro nobis aue sponsa incorrupta.

Demonum forte lamentum meror & tristicia angelorum et bonorum laus decus & gloria electorum tu cunctorum facta es leticia templum domini ora pro nobis aue sponsa incorrupta.

Generans perennem zepherum in accessibilem

¹ The first i of this word is interlined.

inuisibile super ascendens omnium scienciam animarum tu sanctarum splendor et prudencia sacrarium spiritus sancti ora pro nobis aue sponsa incorrupta.

Cenicam† vite coronam fructu ventris germinans possidens diuinitatem et in ea pullulas† nutricans humanitatem et eam agricolans tu sola sine exemplo ora pro nobis Aue sponsa incorrupta.

And there say yor. Pater noster. as the vse is. Adoramus te christe &. and. Ingressus angelus. and. Aue maria. and Gaude dei genitrix virgo immaculata gaude que gaudium ab angelo suscepisti gaude que genuisti eterni luminis claritatem† gaude mater gaude sancta dei genitrix uirgo tu sola mater innupta te laudat omnis factura genitricem lucis sis pro nobis quesumus perpetua interuentrix.

and Ave regina celorum aue domina . . . semper christum exora [S. B. iii. 784.]

a' Salue regina

With the fyue versus, and then thys antym.

Alma redemptoris mater . . . peccatorum miserere. [S. B. i. mclxix.]

and then this .R.

Aspice domine de sede sancta . . . tribulacionem nostram. [S. B. i. mccclxxvi.]

W. Non enim in tuis multis Aperi. [S. B. i. mccclxxx.]

kyrieleison. christeleison. kyrieleison.

Pater noster.

Et ne nos. Sed libera.

Benedicamus patrem et filium cum sancto spiritu.

Laudemus et superexaltemus eum in secula.

Adoramus te christe & benedicimus tibi.

Quia per sanctam crucem tuam redemisti mundum.

Emitte spiritum tuum & creabuntur.

Et renouabis faciem terre.

Post partum uirgo.

Dei genitrix.

Orate pro nobis omnes sancti dei.

Ut digni efficiamur promissionibus christi.

Exurge domine adiuua nos.

Et libera nos propter nomen tuum.

Domine exaudi oracionem meam.

Et clamor.

of the trinite.

 $F_{\mbox{iii. }1354.]}^{\mbox{amulos tuos quesumus}}$. . . regnas deus. Per. [W.

of the crosse

Deus qui sanctam crucem ascendisti . . . illuminare dignare. Per christum. [S. B. ii. 92.]

Of the holy goste. Oracio.

Deus qui corda fidelium . . . consolacione gaudere. [S. B. i mviii.]

Of oure Lady. Oracio.

Deus qui de beate marie . . . adiuuemur. [S. B. ii. 90.]

Of all halows. Oracio.

Omnium sanctorum tuorum . . . sempiterna concede. [S. B. ii. 93.]

For the pease. Oracio.

 $D_{254.}^{\text{eus}}$ a quo sancta . . . protectione tranquilla [S. B. ii.

of the kyng. oracio.

uesumus omnipotens deus . . valeat peruenire.
[S. M. 785.*]

For the deede. Oracio.

Uesumus domine pro tua pietate . . . partem restitue.
[S. M. 875.*]

for the dede. oracio.

Inclina domine aurem tuam . . . esse consortes. [S. M. 876.*]

oracio.

PResta quesumus domine ut animam famuli tui sacerdotis quam in hoc seculo commorantem sacris altaribus decorasti: in celesti sede gloriosa semper exultet.

Oracio.

eus qui nos patrem et matrem . . . fac videre. [S. M. 873.*]

Oracio.

eus uenie largitor . . . peruenire concedas. [W. ii.

Oracio.

eus in cuius miseratione . . . sine fine letentur. [S. M. 877.*

oracio.

Miserere quesumus domine . . . in celis. [S. M. 877.*]

oracio.

Fidelium deus omnium conditor . . . supplicacionibus consequantur. [S. M. 879.*]

This shalbe said every nyght afftur antym. oracio.

Mnipotens sempiterne deus qui diuina gabrielis salutacione. & sancta filii tui natiuitate. et gloriosa eius resurrectione. et admiranda eiusdem ascensione. & ueneranda genitricis ipsius assumpcione sancte marie matri tue gaudia contulisti presta quesumus: vt pro eius amore ab omni specie doloris et angustie liberemur et sempiternis gaudiis perfrui mereamur.

Afftur complen. oracio.

Tribue quesumus domine omnes sanctos . . . exaudire digneris. Qui tecum viuit & regnat. [S. B. ii. 93.]

Anime famulorum famularum et anime omnium fidelium defunctorum per misericordiam dei in pace requiescant. Amen.

Of the cros. oracio.

Deus qui pro nobis filium tuum . . . in resurrectionis eius gaudiis semper viuamus. [S. M. 286.]

Of oure lady, oracio

Prosit nobis semper omnipotens pater et . . . in celo regnanti. [W. iii. 1358.]

of owre lady, oracio

eus qui salutis eterne . . . filium tuum. Qui tecum. [S. B. ii. 91.]

Att matens benediccones.

Meritis et precibus beatissime dei genitricis virginis marie & omnium sanctorum saluet & benedicat nos omnipotens & misericors dominus. Amen.

Benedictione perpetua: benedicat nos pater eternus. Deus dei filius: nos benedicere et adiuuare dignetur. Spiritus sancti gracia: illuminet corda et corpora nostra. Omnipotens dominus sua gracia nos benedicat.

In Secundo nocturno.

Exaudi christe preces nostras qui cum patre et spiritu sancto viuis & regnas deus per omnia secula seculorum.

Ad gaudia paradisi: perducat nos misericordia christi.

Intus & exterius: nos purget spiritus almus.

Sancte trinitatis clemencia: det nobis uite et perennis gaudia.

Ad gaudia polorum ducat nos rex angelorum.

In .iii.º Nocturno.

Adiutorium nostrum in nomine domini: qui fecit celum et terram.

Per euangelica dicta: deleantur nostra delicta. Diuinum auxilium z maneat semper nobiscum.

Ad societatem ciuium supernorum z perducat nos rex angelorum.

Deus misereatur nostri z & det nobis suam pacem.

In feriis eciam in festis of .iii. lessons.

Ostende nobis domine misericordiam tuam.

Ardeat in nobis z diuina† ferueat† amoris.

In vnitate sancti spiritus z benedicat nos pater & filius.

Christus perpetue z det nobis gaudia vite.

Of owre lady benesons.

Precibus et meritis.

Mater misericordie z aperiat nobis ianuam celestis glorie.

Regina celestis z succurre nobis miseris.

Alma virgo virginum z intercede pro nobis ad dominum. Sancte marie intercessio z fiat peccatorum nostrorum re-

missio.

In .ii.º Nocturno.

Exaudi christe preces n[ostras]. Stella maria maris z succurre piissima nobis. Crimina nostra purgalz pia mater virgo maria.

¹ pia was written first and afterwards altered.

Sancta maria cum filio suo z nos benedicere et adiuuare dignetur.

In omni tribulatione & angustia z succurre nobis virgo maria.

In .iii.º Nocturno.

Adiutorium nostrum.

Per beate marie merita z prosit nobis leccio euangelica.

Ab illo mereamur benedici z qui de virgine dignatus est nasci.

Ihesus marie filius z sit nobis clemens et propicius. In mortis hora z succurre nobis. virgo maria.

of or lady an"

Beata dei genitrix . . . femineo sexu. [S. B. iii. 784.]
Descendi in ortum . . . intueamur te. [S. B. iii. 685.]
Virgo hodie fidelis . . . in mulieribus. [S. B. i. cxcvi.]
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Rex seculorum quem laudat vniuersa substancia rerum per te creatarum exaudite fantes et tui benedicti festo iubilantes quos erutos a crimine facias secum† viuere. christe salus nostra christe finis expectacionis nostre.

In regeneracione cum sederit filius . . . tribus israhel. [S. B. ii. 371.]

Dominica infra octavam corporis christi .a'.

O sacrum conuiuium . . . pignus datur alleluya. [S. 128.]

Maria virgo semper letare que meruisti cristum portare celi et terre conditorem quia de tuo vtero protulisti mundi saluatorem.

Aue o theotecos† virgo maria virgo fuisti et in virginitate permansisti dei genitrix intercede pro nobis.

Aula maria dei casta titulusque pudoris porta syon rutilans rutilis fundata saphiris que sola cunctis patuisti clausa tonanti suscipe seruorum miserans pia vota tuorum.

A Denote prayer.1

blessed ihū hyghe heuens kynge I moste Synfull creature of all lyuvng. O maker of nyght and day. hertely lorde I the pray. That I may loue the ouer all thynge. O ihū ihū swete ihū thy loue in me synnar so renew. that it may be aboue all mesure. and on the to sett all my tresure. ffor so ought to love the. o. ihū. And all vices for thy sake to esshewe. O dere Jhū all the iov of my Sowle. Bren my hertt Jhū as fyre dothe the cole. that noo thynge lake I beseche the. which belongethe to perfite charite. O mercyfull Jhū the sykyr stoone. of charite is in the alone. And whoo soo may have it through thy pyte. He is full sykur to dwell with the. O dere worthe Jhū I beseche the also. that I may loue my neyghbur as I shuld doo. Euen as my selff. doo he me goode or ylle. ffor thy loue lorde and for non oyer skyll. O myghtffull ihū I beseche thy grace. That I may hate deedly Synne in euery place. And specially for thy loue and for noo feere. of payne nodre here nor ells where. O Jhū the wysdome of the trinite: yf I myght the loue Jhū brennyngly.
The dreede of dethe myght neuer perce myn hertt. nor the greate paynes of hell that ben so smertt. O Jhū the lampe in whoome is all lyght. thy loue is soo comfortable in the goostly syght. That all derke clowdes of dreede ben cleene chacede away. If we lorde in thy loue study myght. O moste meeke Jhū and mercyfull kynge.

¹ Here the character of the writing changes from a liturgical to an ordinary hand.

Gyve me grace Jhū yf it be thy lykynge.
Gladly to couett for thy loue to dye.
And to be gladd for thy loue to suffre all envy.
O mercifull Jhū to thy louers all.
O swete derlynge to the sowle that on the dothe call.
O verey godd. O verey man that all thynge hathe wroght haue mercy on me A Synnar. thoue hathe me deere boght.

Amen.

A praier to the goode Angell.

) swete angell to me soo deere. that nyght and day standithe me neere. ffull loueyngly with mylde moode. Thankyng. loueyng. loue & praysyng. Offer for me to Jhū or kyng. ffor his gyfftes greate and goode. As thow gothe betwix hym and me. And knowethe my lyffe in euery degre. Saying it in his presence. Aske me grace to loue hym truly. To serue my lorde with hertt duly. With my dayly diligence. Keepe me from vice and all perells. Whiles thowe w^t me dayly trauells. In this worlde of wyckednesse. Sett me my peticions grauntede. By thy praier dayly haunted. Yff it please thy holynes.

The versicull.

O swete Angell that keepithe me: Bryng me to blysse I pray the.

The collect.

O my lorde Jhū crist as it hathe pleasede the to Assigne an Angell to wayte on me dayly and nyghtly with greate attendance and diligence soo I beseche the throghe his goyng betwix vs. that thow clense me frome vyces. clethe me wt vertues graunt me loue and grace to come see and haue wtowte ende thy blysse before thy faire face that lyueth and regnethe afftur thy gloriouse passion wt the ffader of heuen. and wt the holy gooste one godd and persones three with owte ende in blysse. Amen.

A deuoute prayer.

Jhū to all thy true louers. Graunt peace of hert and stedffast mynde: To theym that yi loue dothe seke. Thou graunt theym thy grace and solas eke. O ffader dere moste of powere. Gyff thy children thy loue in fere. And grace to keepe the same. O Ihū flowre moste of honor. O swete sapowre moste of dulcoure. Blessed be thy name. O spirit inspire loue and desire. Accende thy ffyre.1 defende frome ire. And keepe vs frome blame. O Lady bryght launterne of lyght. Swettist wyght moder of myght. And mayden of goode fame. O true loue true knytt in vertue. Thy loue to grow in vs euerr newe. Gyff vs grace withoute reclame. O blessed mary virgyn of nazareth. And moder of almyghty lorde of grace. Which his peple saued hase. deth frome the paynes of the infernall place. Now blessed lady kneele afore his face. And pray hym soone my sowle to saue from losse which with hys blessed bloode bought hase. throw hyt greate passion nailed on the crosse. Amen.

A goode praier.

Jhū lett me neuer forgett thy bytt^r passion
That thou suffred for my transgression.
For in thy blessyd wondes is the verey scole.
That must teche me w^t the worlde to be called a ffole.
O Jhū ihū ihū grauntt that I may loue the soo.
Y^t the wysdom of the worlde be cleene fro me A goo.
And brennyngly to desyre to come to see thy face.
In whome is all my comford my ioy and my solace.

Amen—Ihesus—maria—Johannes.

1 This line is written a little larger than the others.

Timen juene mana jemmes

O Swete ihū gyve me thy loue and grace for to keepe thy commaundments. Pater noster. Aue maria.

O swete Jhū gyve me grace for thy loue to dreede hate and flee synne. *Pater noster. Aue maria.*

O Swete Jhū thy precious bloode ande thy byttur passion be my redempcion and saluacion. *Pater noster. Aue maria.*

O Swete Jhū haue mercy of all the soules in purgatory, and

saue me from hell. Pater noster. Aue maria.

O Swete Jhū when shall I see thy gloriouse face with all thy blessed Sayntes in ioy wtoute ende. Amen. Pater noster. Aue maria & Credo.

Gloriouse Jhū. O mekest Jhū. O moste swettest Jhū. I pray the. that I may have trew confession. contricion and satisfacion or I dye. And that I may see and receyve thy holy bodye godd and man Sauyor of all mankynd Crist Jhū with owte synne. And that thow wilt my lorde godd forgyve me all my synnes ffor thy gloriouse wondes and passion. And that I may ende my lyffe in the trew ffeyth of holy churche. and in perfite loue and charite wt my euen cristen as thy creature. And I commaund my sowle in to thy holy handes through the glorious helpp of thy blessed moder of mercy oure lady saynt marie. and all the holy company of heuen. The holy body of crist ihū be my saluacion of body and soule. Amen. The gloriose bloode of cryst Jhū bryng my sowle and body in to the euer lastynge blysse. Amen. I cry godde mercy. I cry godde mercy. I cry godde mercy. Welcome my maker. Welcome my redemer. Welcome my Sauyoure. I cry the mercy with hert contrite of my greate vnkyndnesse that I haue hadd to the. Amen.

A goode praier.

the moste swetest spouse of my sowle criste Jhū desyryng heretely euer more for to be with the in mynde and wyll. and to lett noo erthly thyng be soo nygh myn hertt as the criste Jhū. And that I dreede nott for to dye for to goo to the criste Jhū. And that I may euer more say to the wt a gladd cheere. my Lord my godd my souereigne Sauyoure crist Jhū. I beseche ye hertely take me Synnar vnto thy greate mercy and grace. For I loue the with all myn hertt wt all my mynde. and wh all my myght. and nothyng so myche in erthe nor aboue the erthe as I doo the my swete Lord crist Jhū. And for yt I haue nott loued the. nor worshipped the aboue all thyngs as my lord my god and my Sauyoure criste Jhū I beseche the with mekenes and hert contrite of mercy and of forgevenes of my greate vnkyndenes for the greate loue that thowe shewdest for me and all mankynd

what tyme thow offredest thy glorious body god and man vnto the crosse ther to be crucified ande wounded. and vnto thy glorious hertt a sharp spere, there rennyng oute plentuously blode and water for the redempcion and saluacion of me and all mankynde. And thus hauyng remembraunce stedfastly in my hert of the my sauyour cryste Jhū I dowtt not but thow wylt be full nyghe me and comfort me both bodely and gostely wt thy glorious presens. And at the last, bryng me vnto thyn eucrlastyng blysse the whiche shall neucr haue ende. Amen.

Carmen. xpo Jhū.

Jesu swete now wyll I syng:'
To the A song of love longyng.
Doo in myn hert a well to spryng.
The to loue ouer all thyng:'

Jhū swete my hertye lyght:'
Thow art day withoute nyght.
Gyve me grace of gostely lyght:'
and the to love with all my myght:

Jhū swete my sowle bote. In my hertt thow sett a roote:' of thy love that is so swete:' and wete it lord that it grow myght.

Jhū godd thy love is swete. woo is to hym that itt shall lete:' gyve me grace lorde for to weepe. For my synnes terys wete.

Jhū swete well may he bee:'
that the shall in thy ioye see:'
with loue cordys draw thow me:'
that I comme and dwell wt the.

Jhū thy loue to vs was so free :'
that it from heuen broght the :'
for love thow dere boght me :
ffor loue thow hangest on the roode tree.

Jhū for loue thow suffredest woo:' that blody stremys dyd renne the ffroo:'

thy white body was blacke and bloo. Oure synnes it made so weyle A woo.

Jhū thy Crowne satt full soore:' and thy scowrgynge when thow bett wore:' yt was for me ihū thyne oore:' the paynes that thow suffred thoore.

Jhū swete thow honge on tree !' not for thy gylt but for me !' ffor synnes I dyd ageynst the !' Swete ihū forgive theym me.

Jhū what sawe thow in me:'
Of ought that nedefull was to the:'
that thow soo hard on roode tre:'
woldes for me so payned be.

Jhū why was thow iolyouse: Soo feruent and soo coryouse: To bye wt pryce so preciouse: wretchyd man soo viciouse.

Jhū my god my lord my kyng :'
ffor itt askethe noone other thyng :'
Butt true hertt in loue longyng :'
And loue terys with styll mowrnyng :'

Mary lady moder bryght:'
thow darst thow wylt. thow artt of myght:'
My hert my loue my lyffe my lyght:'
thow pray for vs bothe day and nyght.

Jhū thy loue is all my thoght:'
of other thyng rech I ryght noght:'
But I haue ageynst the wroght:'
And thow me hathe soo deere boght:'

ffull longe lord thow haste spared me:'
the more ought I to loue the:'
That thow wt me hathe ben soo ffree:'
And I A traytor ageynst the.

Jhū of loue I see tokennyng:'
thyne armes spred to lo clyppyng:'

thy heede bowede to swete kyssynge :'
thy syde opened to loue shewyng :'

Jhū euer when I thynk on the :'
and looke vp on thy roode tre.
Thy swete body blody I se:'
lorde doo that syght to wounde me.

Jhū thy moder yt by the stoode:' on loue terys she lete a ffloode. Thy woundys and thy holy bloode:' made hyre full of drury moode.

Jhū loue the dyd to grete:'
loue the dyd thy lyne to swete:'
ffor loue thow was ful soore a bete:'
loue the dyd thy lyffe to lete.

Mary yt slakyst all woo:'
hell paynes kepe vs froo:'
And gyve vs grace here to do soo:'
yt we frome hens to heuen goo:'

Jhū wells fynde I in the:'
y' to loue spryng myght draw me:'
of reede blode the stremys be:'
My sowle euen washe ye.

Jhū my sowle draw ye to:'
make my hertt wyde vndo:'
gyve it thy loue to drynke so:'
that fleshly lustys ben fordo:'

Jhū make me loue the so:'
that where I be or what I do:'
that I for weele or for woo:'
let neuer my hertt turne the froo.

Jhū my weyle and all my wyn:' all my ioy is the within:' Now and euer kepe me frome syne: To do thy wyll lett me nott blyn.

Jhū myghtfull heuen kyng:'thy loue be all my lykyng:'



My mowrnyng and my longyng:' wt swete terys gretyng:'

Jhū gyve me grace yt I may see !' thy greate goodenes done to me !' and I vnkynde ageyn haue be !' fforgyve me lorde yt artt so fre !'

Jhū thy loue and ffleshly thoght: won to gedre yai may noght: as hony and gall to gedre broght: Swete and byttr accordeth noght.

Jhū thoghe I be vnworthy:'
the to loue lorde almyghty:'
yi goodenes makethe me hardy:'
My sowle to doo In thy mercy.

Jhū thy mercy comfortes me :'
ffor no man may soo synfull be :'
yt synne wyll leyue and turne to me :'
But mercy and grace ffyndes he.

Mary mylde pray for me:'
to thy dere son ffull of pety:'
y' he grauntt me to be:'
Euer in blysse with hym and the.

Jhū thow helpe at myn endyng ! take my sowle at my dyinge. Send it socowr and comfortyng ! y' it dreede noo wycked thyng.

Amen for charite.

¹This booke longeth to

Dame Margery

Byrkenhed of ²

Chestre¹

 $^{^{1}}$ — 1 This is written in a hand like the first part of the book. 2 f has been partly erased.

Ego¹ precor dominum nostrum Iesum christum et dulcissimam matrem suam sanctam mariam atque sanctum benedictum patronum nostrum² necnon omnes sanctos celi et vos dominam meam. dominam priorissam et conventum vestrum quatinus dignemini recipere me in vestram societatem et concedere michi habitum vestrum pro sancta caritate.

Omnipotens³ sempiterne deus nos famulos tuos dextera potencie tue a cunctis protege periculis et beata maria semper virgine intercedente cum omnibus sanctis tuis fac nos presenti gaudere prosperitate et futura per.

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p. 1.

De te virgo] This is an anthem of the Blessed Virgin proper for Advent. It was sung at compline by the Brigittine nuns during Advent up to the compline of Christmas Eve inclusive. It is spoken of as: "A Complie la louange. De te Virgo." The following text of the anthem is taken from their printed breviary:

Haec Antiphona cum Versiculo & Collecta sequenti dicitur ab Aduentu

Domini vsque ad festum Nativitatis eiusdem.

De te Virgo nasciturum mundi Saluatorem patres suspirauerunt, praedixerunt Prophetae, signauerunt figurae, tandem ille paranymphus caelestis Gabriel salutando nunciauit, Spiritus sanctus obumbrando foecundauit. O quando veniet ille desideratus! O quando ex te nascetur diu expectatus! Veni, veni Domine, iam veni, per viscera Virginis visitans nos oriens ex alto. (*Breviarium Sororum ac Sancti monialium sacri ordinis divae Brigittae*, &c. Atrebati, Robertus Maudhuy, 1610, p. 298.)

This corresponds with the text of the anthem in the Syon manuscript in the Library of Magdalene College, Cambridge, G. 14. 11. fo. 81.

Quomodo fiet] S.B. i. cxix. Rorate caeli] S.B. i. cxviii.

Note 1.

Et nunc sequimur] W. Maskell, Monumenta ritualia Ecclesiae Anglicanae, Oxford, 1882, iii. 342.

Amo Christum] W. Maskell, op. cit. p. 340. W. iii. 1198.

Verbum Patris Respond and Versicle to fourth lesson at Mattins of the Conception in *Breviarium Aberdonense*, pars hyemalis, London, 1854, ed. W. J. Blew, verbatim as in text. R. and N. to ninth lesson of Conception in Breviarium Halberstad. Nurnberge, Georg. Stuchs, 1515. to seventh lesson in Breviarium Patavien. Venetiis, P. Liechtenstein, 1508. to fifth lesson in Breviarium Trevirense, Francof. et Treviris, 1748. pars hyemalis.

F. J. Mone (Lateinische Hymnen, Freiburg in Breisgau, 1854, ii. 10) has printed the whole of the anthems and responds in verse, of which this Verbum patris is a part. It was printed also by Ant. de Balinghem. (Parnassus marianus, Duaci, 1624. p. 14.) The Halberstadt breviary reads Ut super vellus, with the text; Mone and the Triers breviary have Sicut in vellus; Passau reads: Et sicut in: and tonus

instead of onus in the line above.

p. 2.

Hic est discipulus] S.B. i. ccxvii & ccxv.

p. 3.

Rex magnus | Respond to seventh lesson of Sunday within the octave of Epiphany in Durham Breviary. (Brit. Mus. MS. Harl. 4664. fo. 39.)

Et intrantes.] S.B. i. cccxxxviii.

O Maria Iesse virga Anthem for Sunday within the octave of the Epiphany in *Processionale ordinis S. Benedicti*, Rothomagi, D. du Petit Val, 1623, p. 43. It occurs also in Bianchini's folio edition of Thomasius (Opera, Romae, 1741. I. ii. 493.) among the Antiphonae dominicales, et ad processionem at Christmas time. There are verbal variations from the text in both. In the second line instead of iam olim promissum florem the Benedictine processional has iam florem aeterni fructus. In the fourth line the Benedictine book has sentiamus te piam et singulari; where Bianchini has sentiamus et piam et singularis.

At Cluny O Maria was sung after O beata infantia on Christmas Day and apparently up to Candlemas. ([Marquard Herrgott,] Vetus

Disciplina Monastica, Parisiis, 1726. pp. 289 & 297.)

Virgo hodie fidelis S.B. i. cxcvi.

On candlemas day None of the prayers accompanying the blessing of the candles is given. We have merely the anthems sung at the procession; and these are the same as those in the Sarum book, saving Cum inducerent; which, however, is in the Sarum breviary as a respond to the seventh lesson on this day. (S.B. iii. 141.) Mr. Birkbeck notes variations in the music of *Cum inducerent* from that of Sarum.

p. 4.

Simeon iustus S.B. iii. 137.

We may note an octave to Candlemas. The nuns of Syon had the (See MS. in Magdalene College, Cambridge, G. 14. 11. fo. ff. 14. & 15b.)

Hodie Maria Anthem to Magnificat at second evensong of Candle-

mas at Durham. (Brit. Mus. Harl. 4664, fo. 213b.)

Christe pater] This anthem is to be found in Bianchini's edition of Thomasius. (op. cit. p. 493.) It is the first Antiphona in Quadragesima.

In last line but one read confundamur.

Christe pater was sung alternately with Cum sederit at Cluny at procession from the first Sunday of Lent to Easter. (Herrgott, op. cit. p. 303.)

Anima meal S. 131.

Descendi in hortum] S. 131. Beata Dei genetrix S. 130.

Post partum Virgo S.B. ii. 515. O felix Benedicte Respond after the ninth lesson on the feast of the Translation of St. Benedict, in the Durham Breviary. (Brit. Mus. Harl. 4664. fo. 242.)

p. 5. Os iusti.] S.B. ii. 541.

Dederunt in escam meam fel] S.B. i. dccxiv.

Descendi in hortum meum] S. 131.

On passion Sunday] Here is evidence that the English called the fifth Sunday in Lent Passion Sunday. But they did not call the following week Passion week. That was the name for the week before Easter. See Transactions of the London and Middlesex Archæological Society, 1881. v. 337. where "a harrow for tenebris Candles, in passhon weke" at St. Stephen Walbrook in 1558. is spoken of. Also in the Pylgrymage of Sir Richard Guylforde, Camden Society, 1851. p. 1. which was in 1506. they took ship on "the Wednysday at nyght in Passyon weke". . . and the nexte daye, that was Shyre Thursdaye."

In a Christchurch, Canterbury, manuscript (Harl. 2892. fo. 54*b*.) the Monday in Holy Week is spoken of as *feria ii. de passione domini*.

On palm Sunday] As at Candlemas, there is no form for blessing the palms, and the anthems and hymns are all to be found in the Sarum book, though all the Sarum forms are not here. They also

follow very much the same order.

I have no suggestions to make as to the place of the "city of Jerusalem." It is entered directly after the anthem *Cum appropinquaret* is sung, which describes our Lord's entry into Jerusalem; and in the Sarum book an anthem beginning *Hierusalem* (S. 50.) is sung immediately before *En rex venit*, which in the text the prioress and two ladies proclaim from Jerusalem.

The nuns are called "ladies," being Benedictines, and thus "Dominae"; just as a Benedictine monk is "Dominus," Dom, or Dan.

p. 6.

Salve lux | S. has Salve rex.

Cum appropinquaret.] The most usual gospel is Cum appropinquasset from St. Matthew (xxi. 1-9.) the Sarum gospel for the first Sunday in Advent. Cum appropinquarent is the usual reading of St. Mark (xi. 1,) and it is also that in Tib. c. 1. fo. 99. where it is the gospel for the blessing of the palms. With the anthem Cum appropinquaret just before, the scribe might very well confuse the beginning of the gospel with the anthem; and later on we shall find evidence that he was not always extremely careful in what he wrote.

It may be noted that the gospel is sung on the north half of the high

cross in the churchyard.

On Shere Thursday The directions for the washing of the altars on Shere Thursday give us a list of the altars in the church. They seem to have been thirteen in number, five being dedicated in honour of women saints, and one of All Hallows.

P. 7.
Iohannes apostolus] S.B. i. ccxv.
O beate Iacobe] I have been unable to find this anthem.
Beatus Nicolaus] S.B. iii. 36.

Non est inventus] S.B. ii. 419.

Dei repletus gratia] First anthem at lauds on the feast of the translation of St. Benedict in Durham Breviary (Harl. 4664. fo. 242.)

Erat autem Mr. Dewick points out to me that this anthem is found in the Sarum Horae. (Horae Beatissimae Virginis &c. Paris. F. Regnault, 1530. fo. xxv. b.)

Ego sum pastor.] S.B. i. dcccxcv.
In bello victus] I have not found this anthem elsewhere.

Anna deo vigilavit] Neither anthem nor collect have I been able to find elsewhere.

Magdalenam sua crimina] I have not found this elsewhere.

Elizabeth Zachariae S.B. iii. 347.

p. 9.

Omnipotens sempiterne] This collect may be found in Rituale seu Mandatum insignis Ecclesiae Suessionensis, Suessione, 1856. ed. Poquet p. 199. It has been printed from a manuscript of the 13th century.

Gaudent in caelis Third anthem at first evensong of All Hallows at

York. (Y.B. ii. 647.)

Ave regina caelorum] S.B. iii. 784.

Mandatum novum] See the directions in Lanfranc's Constitutions, the outlines of which may be compared with these, exchanging the subprioress for the prior claustri, and the prioress for the abbot.

(D. Wilkins, *Concilia*, Lond. 1737. i. 336.)

The anthems are nearly all to be found in S. with the exception of Accepit Maria libram, the text of which may be found as a R. and V. to the fourth lesson at mattins on St. Mary Magdalen's day in Breviarium secundum ritum Candidissimi Ordinis Praemonstratensis, Pars aestivalis, Parisiis, 1598.

p. 10.

Tellus ac aethera] This hymn has been collated with two early texts in the British Museum, one in Vespasian, D. xii. fo. 69. [formerly 67.] written in England in the eleventh century: and another in Add. MS. 19768. fo. 37b. [formerly page 68.] probably written at St. Gall

between 961 and 972.

The text is full of variants from these manuscripts, some appearing to be scribal errors, and it has been thought best to indicate these, not by the obelus as usual, but in the notes, collating the texts. Vesp. is the symbol of Vesp. D. xii. and 19768, that of the Additional MS. Stanza 1. line 2. in magni cena principis: Vesp. 19768.

Quo: Vesp. pectora: Vesp. 19768. 3.

4. ferculo: Vesp. 19768.

2. potentis ad mysterium: Vesp. potentis at misterio: 19768.

Ministerium seems a better reading than mysterium. Stanza 3. line 1. A celsis: Vesp. 19768.

Here again Excelsus may be a better reading than a celsis.

Stanza 3. line 4. petens: Vesp. 19768.

,, 4. ,, 1. Pallet seruus obsequio: Vesp. 19768.

" " " ,, 2. dominum : Vesp. 19768.

" " " " 3. limpham: Vesp. 19768 for limam.

" " " ,, 4. cena: Vesp.

Stanza 5. line 2. figurant: Vesp. 19768.

" " " 3. Dum summus ima baiulat : Vesp. 19768.

", ", 4. Quid cinis servit cineri: Vesp. Quid cinis seruet cineri: 19768.

Stanza 6. line 2. fauos: Vesp. 19768.

,, ,, ,, 3. denotat: Vesp. 19768 for deuota. ,, ,, ,, 4. Necis qui dolos ruminat: Vesp. necis dolos qui ruminat: 19768.

Stanza 7. line 2. fers agno: Vesp. 19768 for ferago.

,, ,, ,, 3. Dans : Vesp. ,, ,, ,, 4. sordes : Vesp.

" 8. " 1. Nexi soluuntur hodie : Vesp. 19768. " " 2. Accordis : Vesp. 19768 for a corde.

,, ,, 3. Unguem sacratur: Vesp. Ünguentum sacratur:

" " " " 4. Spes unde crescat miseris: Vesp. Spes inde datur m[i]seris: 19768.

Stanza 9. line 1. inclita: 19768.

" " " " 2. gloria: 19768.

" " " 3. patre et sancto: Vesp. 19768.

, ", 4. Qui nos redemit obitu : Vesp. 19768.

In Hymnarium Sarisburiense (Lond. 1851. p. 88 note.) the variants of certain manuscripts and editions are given. But I have been unable to find Tellus ac aethera in Julius A. vi. nor does George Hickes mention it in the list of hymns to be found in this manuscript. (De antiquae literaturae septentrionalis utilitate, Oxon. 1703. Catalogus Librorum, p. 183.)

This hymn is attributed to Flavius, first Bishop of Châlon-sur-Saône, by the Statutes of Cluny (Herrgott, op. cit. p. 314.) where in like manner as in the text it was sung at the washing of the feet on Maundy Thursday. It is ascribed to Flavius also in J. Julian's Dictionary of

Hymnology, Lond. 1892, p. 1137.

The melody in the text is, Mr. W. Howard Frere informs me, that often seen in mediaeval music for the hymn at Sext, *Rector potens*.

Congregavit] These are two Roman anthems which may be found on p. 160. of the Roman Missal of 1474 edited by Dr. Lippe for this Society.

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Ecce quam bonum is the 132nd psalm, vulgate numbering; the lesson may possibly have been from St. John's Gospel, (xiii. & xiv.) ending with Surgite eamus hinc; as it ends in Lanfranc's Constitutions. (Wilkins, op. cit. i. 337.)

The first Saturday after Pasch The Rule of St. Benedict (chapter xxxv.) orders a washing of the feet every Saturday: Pedes vero tam ipse qui egreditur quam ille qui intraturus est omnibus lauent. (Commentaria M. F. Antonii Perez . . . in Regulam Beatissimi Patris Benedicti, Colon. Agripp. 1688. p. 706.) It is spoken of in the Concordia Regularis chap. xi. (Brit. Mus. Tib. A. 111. fo. 25. see W. S. Logeman, Anglia, 1891. Bd. xiii. p. 440.) and Aelfric's abridgement. (Corpus Christi College, Cambridge, No. 265. fo. 261. Edited by Miss Bateman, in Compotus Rolls of the Obedientiaries of St. Swithun's Priory, Winchester, Hampshire Record Society, 1892. p. 192.) It is alluded to in Lanfranc's Constitutions. (D. Wilkins, Concilia, 1737. i. 336 & 337.)

At St. Germain des Prés in Paris they sang some of the following anthems at the weekly washing of the feet and hands; as Mandatum novum, Ubi est caritas, and Christus descendit. (E. Martene, De Antiquis Monachorum Ritibus, Lib. II. Cap. xii. § x. Bassani 1788. iv. 83.) The Saturday foot washing is said to survive in the Cistercian order, "plerisque Monasteriis etiamnum viget," and the anthem Postquam surrexit is then sung. (Rituale Cisterciense, Lirinae, 1892. p. 265.) In the text, the maundy anthems have been increased by the adding of Easter anthems, especially those relating to St. Mary

Magdalen.

In hoc cognoscent] See Dr. Lippe, op. cit. p. 160.

Diligamus S. 65. This anthem runs on without any separation from *Ubi est caritas*, for which see Dr. Lippe, op. cit. p. 159.

Iesum qui crucifixus] See Thomasius, Opera, Romae, 1749. ed.

Vezzosi, t. iv. p. 237.

Ardens est cor See Thomasius, op. cit. p. 240. This and the foregoing are among the Easter anthems.

Dum flerem] Thomasius, op. cit. p. 243. also at Easter. Venit Maria] Thomasius, op. cit. p. 127. This is the Thomasius, op. cit. p. 127. This is the anthem for Benedictus on St. Mary Magdalen's day.

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Maria ergo unxit S. 65. Dicite in nationibus S.B. iii. 281. Ascendo ad patrem S.B. i. dcccclxii.

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Verbo Domini S.B. i. mli.

Ego sum panis This is a respond following the ninth lesson on Corpus Christi day in some early editions of the Roman Breviary; and in the Pian edition it is the respond to the sixth lesson, followed by the \hat{V} . as in the text. (S.B. i. mlxxiii.)

The text varies slightly from that in S.B. iii. 347. Innuebant]

Inter natos S. 148.

p. 14. Pro eo] S.B. iii. 353. and 347.

Deus omnium] The first words of the respond to the lesson Fuit Vir, that is, the first lesson of the first nocturn of the first Sunday after Trinity in the Sarum Breviary. (S.B. i. mclxxiv.) Deus omnium has become the name of this Sunday. It has the same place in the Durham Breviary; (Harl. 4664. fo. 104.) but the Sunday is there called not the first Sunday after Trinity, but Dominica i. post oct. pentecost.

In the *Breviarium Monasticum*, Venetiis, apud Iuntas, 1600. 8° *Deus omnium* is, however, the respond to the second lesson on the

third Sunday after Pentecost.

Oremus dilectissimi] This is one of the bidding prayers amongst the Orationes Sollemnes of Good Friday, with an addition of a couple of

lines.

It may be found as an anthem in diebus dominicis, but without the addition expressed, in Vezzosi's edition of Thomasius, (v. 287.) and with the addition in Bianchini's edition of the same writer. (I. i. 490.) It was sung at Soissons at the Rogations in the thirteenth century, (Rituale . . . Ecclesiae Suessionensis, p. 149.) and by Benedictines in France at the same season in the seventeenth century. (Processionale ordinis S. Benedicti, Rothomagi, 1623. p. 144.)

Cum venerimus] This is printed by Bianchini (op. cit. p. 493. as

an Antiphona in Quadragesima.

Omnipotens Deus] This occurs among the Antiphonae Dominicales of Bianchini. (op. cit. p. 495.) It was sung at Soissons for the Rogations. (See above.)

Quam pulchra quam add sancta after second quam.

In Durham (Brit. Mus. MS. Harl. 4664. fo. 241.b) this is the respond for the seventh lesson on the translation of St. Benedict, up to the word *meritis*, where the MS. changes into: rupes manant aquas aque imitantur rupem ferrum enatat aues obedit emulus perit. The V. is the same as in text. The anthem in the text is plainly also one for St. Benedict, as it contains allusions to the miracles of the saint. How it comes to be used for Saint Thomas of Canterbury is not clear.

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Sanctus pater Benedictus] Respond to sixth lesson at mattins in translation of St. Benedict at Durham (Harl. MS. 4664. fo. 241.b.)

In V. Durham has detexit for detersit.

Ad felicis Annae festum] Anthem to *Magnificat* for St. Anne's service at Durham. (British Museum MS. Harl. 4664. fo. 320.) line 9. Durham has *christum* for *ipsum*.

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O Mater montem] Respond to sixth lesson at Mattins on the feast of the Visitation of B.V.M. in *Breviarium Halberstad*. Nurnberge, George Stuchs, 1515.

line 2. virgo: Halber. line 7. viola: Halber It may be a part of Accedunt laudes virginis. (See below.)

Carisma sancti Spiritus] Part of the wide-spread hymn Accedunt vaudes virginis. (See G. M. Dreves, Analecta Hymnica Medii Aevi, Leipzig, 1896. xxiv. 89.)

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Frater erat] I have not found this respond elsewhere. It alludes to an incident in the life of St. Benedict. A certain monk did not pray with the others, and he was led out by a little black boy, probably a devil. On St. Benedict striking the monk with his staff, the monk became as the others.

Qui creavit] Following the music the verses should be in triplets.

Compare a number of verses with a refrain to each:

Verbum patris humanatur, O, O, Dum puella salutatur, O, O, Salutata fecundatur
Viri nescia.

Ry Ey, Ey, Eya,

Nova gaudia! &c., &c.

(G. M. Dreves, Analecta Hymnica Medii Aevi, xx. 104.)

р. 19.

Dominus Iesus] This anthem is noted; but after this musical notes

cease until Beata Dei genetrix on p. 25.

Stanza 1. line 4. Ave . . . surrectio not in either edition.

- 3. The editions read exactly as printed here: Χαῖρε κεχαριτομένη Θεοτόκος [Θοτόκος: Gerberon.] πάρθενη, which words begin the Theotokia for Sept. 8. Feb. 2. and other days. ('Ωρολόγιον, pp. 127. and 177.)
 - , 3. " Both editions read: astrum.
 - Both editions read: divae.
 Both editions read: uterus tu facta [factus: Gerberon] es.
 - 3. Both editions read: renovatur omnis, but the reading of the text can be construed.
 - 5. Both editions read : cum qua, Both editions read : arcani.
- 5. , 2. Both editions read : arcani. 6. Both editions read : satians for facta es.

Both editions have: Stanza 8. lines 1-4.

> Generans perennem lucem Et inaccessibilem Sophorum superascendens

Omnium scientiam

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Stanza 9. line I. Read: civicam. 4. Read: pullulans.

This hymn has no musical notes, which do not appear again until Beata Dei genetrix on p. 25.

Adoramus te Christe S.B. iii. 276. Ingressus angelus S.B. iii. 234.

Gaude Dei genetrix] This also comes from St. Anselm. (See Benedictine edition quoted above, p. 307.)

line 4. Both editions read: charitatem, but the reading in the text

seems the better.

Salve Regina S. 170. there followed by five verses.

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Many of these benedictions may be found in S.B. i. signature B. and in Mr. Wilson's Officium Ecclesiasticum Abbatum secundum usum Eveshamensis Monasterii, Henry Bradshaw Society, 1893. col. 55. Breviarium Aberdonense, Lond. 1854. ed. W. J. Blew, after the calendar: Portiforii seu Breviarii Sarisburiensis fasciculus ii. Lond. 1843. p. 208.

In feriis etiam] line 2. read divini fervor amoris, as Mr. Wilson has suggested. This agrees more with the present text than another suggestion of flamma, in his edition of the Evesham book (col. 56. note). But in the Evesham book only the first letter, f, is given.

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Beata Dei genetrix These three anthems are noted.

Rex seculorum Anthem to Magnificat at first evensong of the translation of St. Benedict, in the Durham Breviary. (British Museum MS. Harl. 4664. fo. 241.)

O sacrum convivium This anthem is noted and so are the preced-

ing from Beata Dei.

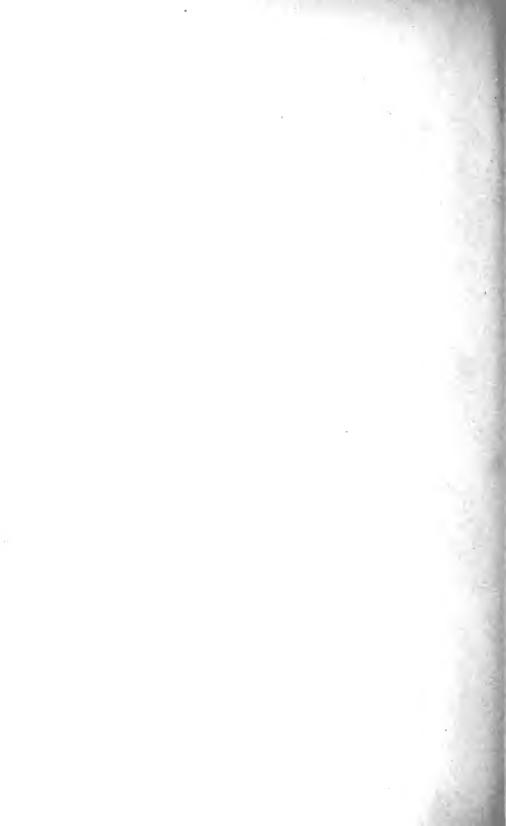
Maria virgo semper This is an anthem for the assumption. It will be found among the anthems at the end of the office for this day in Thomasius, ed. Vezzosi, iv. 267; Breviarium secundum ordinem ecclesie sancte_Saltzburgensis, Venetiis, N. de Franckfordia, 1482; Breviarium Frisingense, Pars estivalis, Venetiis, Ioann. Oswalt, 1516; and other German breviaries. In a Cistercian Breviary (Paris, J. Kerver, 1568, 16°) it is the anthem to the canticle at Mattins after the eighth lesson.

The anthem will remind everyone of Regina caeli laetare.

This and the following anthems are not noted.

Ave o Theotokos] The first five words of this anthem are in S.B. 111. 140.

Aula Maria] S.B. iii. 136.



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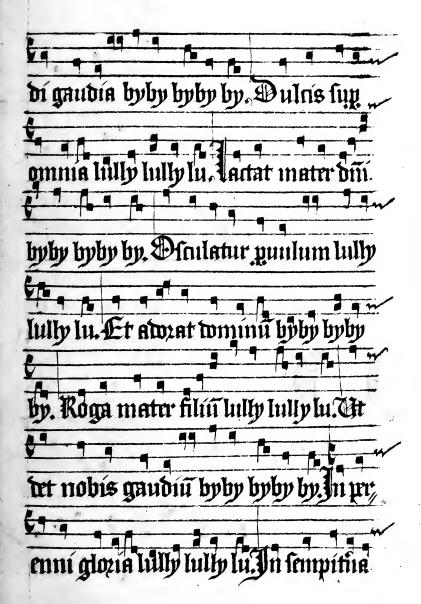
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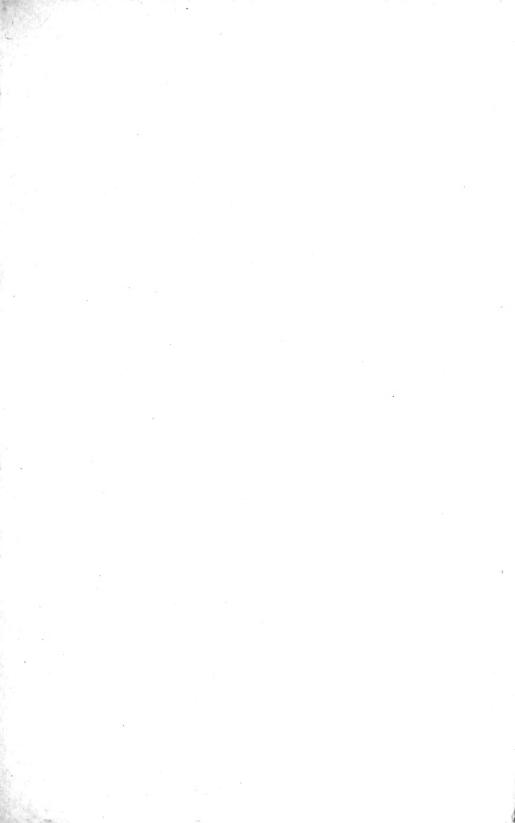
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